

PATENT APPLICATION

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In re the Application of

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For: INSERT-BONDED CYLINDRICAL ARTICLES, AND A MOLDING METHOD AND
A MOLDING APPARATUS THEREFOR TECHNICAL FIELD TO WHICH THE
INVENTION PERTAINS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 5, 6 and 9-11 as follows:

Claim 5, line 1, change "claim 3 or 4," to -- claim 3, ~~3~~.

Claim 6, line 1, change "any one of claims 3 to 5," to -- claim 3, ~~3~~.

Claim 9, line 1, change "claim 7 or 8," to -- claim 7, ~~7~~.

Claim 10, line 1, change "any one of claims 7 to 9," to -- claim 7, ~~7~~.

Claim 11, line 1, change "any one of claims 7 to 10, to -- claim 7, ~~7~~.

Please add claims 12-20 as follows:

12. The molding method set forth in claim 4, wherein a knock-out pin is provided in the core and which further comprising upwardly pulling out the pull-out mold unit of the outer core mold unit after the injection molding, cutting connection between the cured resin inside the injection gate opening and the cylindrical molded body by raising the knock-out